GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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NATIONAL SPORTS DEVELOPMENT FUND
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the composition of National Sports Development Fund (NSDF) and the details of grants received by it from the Union Government during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the details of other sources through which it has raised funds during the said period;

(c) whether contribution to NSDF is exempted from payment of income-tax;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of sportspersons to whom funds have been sanctioned from this fund till date alongwith the names of the sportspersons who have been sanctioned funds in advance for training-cum-competition programmes for 2010 Commonwealth Games?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PANCHYATI RAJ, YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) The National Sports Development Fund (NSDF) was conceptualized in the year 1998 with a view to promoting sports in general, and specific sports disciplines and sportspersons in particular, for achieving excellence at the national and international level. The Fund is managed and administered by a Council chaired by the Minister for Youth Affairs & Sports with Secretary, Additional/Joint Secretary (Sports), Financial Advisor (Youth Affairs & Sports) & Director General, Sports Authority of India as ex-officio Members and an officer not below the rank of Deputy Secretary to the Government of India of the Ministry as Member-Secretary of the Council. Apart from these, the Council has eight eminent sportspersons and upto nine eminent persons representing the corporate sector, private foundations and non-profitable voluntary organizations, and such other fields. The day-to-day work of the Fund is looked after by an Executive Committee consisting of Secretary as Chairman with A dditional/Joint Secretary (Sports), Financial Advisor (Youth Affairs & Sports) & Director General, Sports Authority of India as ex-officio members, Member-Secretary of the Council as Member-Secretary of the Committee and five nominated Members of the Council as its members.

The details of grants received by the fund from the Government of india in last three years are as under:

YEAR	GRANT RECEIVED FROM GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
2003-04	Rs.19.46 lakh
2004-05	Rs.19.84 lakh
2005-06	Rs.28.79 lakh

(b) The details of other sources through which funds have been raised during the last three years are as under:

(c) The contribution to NSDF is 100% exempted from payment of Income tax.

(e) The details of sportspersons to whom funds have been sanctioned from NSDF till date are annexed. Assistance is provided from the Fund on the basis of specific proposals and is an on-going process. No specific assistance has been provided so far from the Fund with reference to the Commonwealth Games which are to be held in 2010.